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Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Kamran Emdadi (Reg. No. 58,823) on December 24, 2008.

In the specification, page 83, lines 1-3 must be read --fuel control appears to be that the sensitivity of the output  $V_{out}$  of the  $O_2$  sensor 8 to the air-fuel ratio at the inflection point Y is neither excessively high nor small, but is appropriate--.

#### ***Conclusion***

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Johnny H. Hoang whose telephone number is (571) 272-4843.

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